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SUBJECT: IDF RETENTION NEGOTIATIONS - DRAFT EXCHANGE
OF NOTES

THE FOLLOWING IS ACTUAL TEXT OF DRAFT EXCHANGE
OF NOTES FONMIN AGUSTSSON NOW HAS IN HIS
POSSESSION.

BEGIN QUOTE:

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE DISCUSSIONS RECENTLY
CONCLUDED BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF ICELAND
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE DEFENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN
OUR TWO COUNTRIES SIGNED AT REYKJAVIK, MAY 5, 1951.

OUR GOVERNMENTS AGREE THAT THE PRESENT SITUATION IN
WORLD AFFAIRS, AS WELL AS THE SECURITY OF ICELAND AND OF
THE NORTH ATLANTIC COMMUNITY, CALL FOR THE CONTINUATION
OF THE FACILITIES AND THEIR UTILIZATION BY THE ICELAND
DEFENSE FORCE UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE
TERMS.

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ACCORDINGLY, OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS HAVE REACHED AN UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE DEFENSE AGREEMENT, AND HAVE CONCLUDED THEIR REVIEW OF THE DEFENSE AGREEMENT UNDER ARTICLE VII.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO PROPOSE THAT THIS NOTE AND YOUR EXCELLENCY'S REPLY IN SIMILAR TERMS SHALL BE REGARDED AS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS TO THE ABOVE EFFECT.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE RENEWED ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

END QUOTE
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